

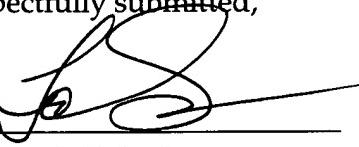
REMARKS

This application has been carefully reviewed in light of the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment dated December 2, 2004. The Notice indicates that the Amendment filed November 18, 2004, does not contain a complete listing of all the claims, and set a time limit to resubmit the corrected section. Accordingly, a complete listing of the claims is now being presented. Claims 201-203 and 209 have been amended. Claims 1-123, 138-169, and 189-199 have been canceled. Claims 124-137, 170-188, and 200-209 are now pending. Claims 124-137 and 170-188 have been withdrawn. Claims 201-203 and 209 were amended to maintain proper antecedent basis.

In view of the above and the Remarks found in the November 18th Amendment, each of the presently pending claims in this application is believed to be in immediate condition for allowance. Accordingly, the Examiner is respectfully requested to pass this application to issue.

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Respectfully submitted,

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